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Talked with Robert Smart, House Armed Services Committee, and furnished him various published material concerning prior reviews of the Agency such as the Hoover Commission and the press releases relating to the Doulittle Committee. Suggested to Mr. Smart that as a first step in dealing with his inquiry concerning the recommendations of these various groups and also in connection with the dissents or lootnotes on NIEs that he meet with appropriate people in the Agency to discuss these subjects and then consider further the next steps in this regard. Mr. Smart tentatively suggested nine o'clock on 20 April. This will be discussed with the Inspector General and Mr. Amory.

Mr. Smart advised me that he has indicated clearly to the GAO that since their sight auditors are at CIA not by virtue of law but because of the Director's policy determination, the GAO should place first-line people in these positions. Apparently the GAO agrees with this view and Mr. Smart indicated that the Kilday Subcommittee will have a meeting to discuss this matter with the GAO to make it a matter of record.

Mr. Smart indicated further that there were no firm plans for another meeting of the Kilday Subcommittee with CIA but possibly they might meet with the Agency on Wednesday. 29 April, the subject not yet determined.

Mr. Smart was again reminded that some of the members of the Subcommittee had expressed a desire to visit and that we stood ready to assist on this whenever it was convenient.

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